

## HILO LOOKS LIKE GARRISON TOWN; MANY UNIFORMS

Regulars, National Guardsmen Latter Afford Interesting and Kamehameha Cadets: Entertainments

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
HILO, Hawaii, April 23.—Hilo looked more like a garrison town during the past week than ever it did before in its existence. There were regular troops, national guard troops and cadets to be seen on every hand and bugles blared and bands played at pretty well any old time. The troops of Company B, 25th Infantry, were camped in tents on the army grounds and the Kamehameha school cadet battalion was demitted in the army building. The national guardsmen wandered around, although not on any special duty, and the cadets of the Hilo boarding school were also to be seen around town. It was an inspiring sight and many people commented very favorably on the proposition of universal military training after seeing the grown troops and the lads.

The regular troops who arrived on Thursday of last week have been divided and while some of them have gone to Kawaihewa to guard the wireless plant, others have been detailed for special guard duty at the waterworks, the federal building and other places which might invite attacks from fanatics.

The regulars have been comfortably located in Hilo and the men seem cheerful enough. When not on duty they practice baseball pitching and catching on the army lot. The aggregation of star flaggers appears to be large and it is certain that the men love the national game about as well as they love eating.

**Kam Boys Made Fine Impression**  
The Kamehameha school lads have made a great impression in Hilo, not only by their mainly bearing as cadets, but as clean-cut young Hawaiian gentlemen. The boys have made good in Hilo in every department, from drills to basketball and other sports. They were the admiration of everybody, whether marching to church, giving exhibition drills, playing basketball or simply wandering around as sight-seers. In the opinion of most of Hilo's people it would be an excellent move if all lads of all nationalities had the same military training as the Kamehameha boys receive.

On Sunday the Kamehameha boys gave an exhibition of drill at Moehau park which will be long remembered. There were at least 5000 people watching the drill. The cadets gave a fine exhibition and they were loudly applauded at the end of each movement. The setting-up exercises were magnificent and the marching was done in a style that showed that the instructors had been hard at work for a long time in order to make the cadets as perfect as they showed themselves to be.

At the conclusion of the exhibition the cadets were led off the field to the strains of a lively march played by the Hilo band. One incident must be mentioned in connection with the musical end of the exhibition. When the Star-Spangled Banner was played many thousands of civilians removed their hats and the regular troops, of course, stood at attention. Still, there were hundreds of men in that big throng who stood with their hats on and made no motion to remove their headgear. There were hundreds of other American born men and youths who, lounging upon the grass, still continued to squat with their hats on and cigarettes in their mouths at the tune that should mean so much to them. It was a disgusting sight and one that would be hard to duplicate anywhere else on earth, we hope. At all times, but particularly at the present time, there should be a tightening of the heart cords, a thrust of the head up and the removal of all hats when the air that means everything to all true Americans is played.

The Kamehameha boys leave Hilo with the most pleasant recollections, so they all declare, and they only wish they could make a longer stay on the island of Hawaii.

## SPAIN INFORMS GERMANY WILL TAKE PREVENTIVE STEPS TO SAVE SHIPS

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service)

LONDON, Eng., April 25.—Spain is coming to the end of her patience with Germany, and one paragraph of the note which she has sent to the Berlin government is most significant. The communication is in response to a message from Berlin defending the continued sinking of unarmed neutral ships.

It is pointed out that Germany claims to be forced to take these measures "in order to save her life." Very good, the Spanish note says in effect, but if that is true then we shall be compelled to take steps to defend ours.

## HONOLULU OIL CO. ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 25.—Charles E. Green was elected yesterday at the annual meeting of the Honolulu Oil Company, second vice-president of the corporation, succeeding

## Mother Seeks Son Who Sailed From Here December 15



"Frank" (Max) Danz, New York boy, and John Sell, English "Globe Trotter," who sailed on the Allie I. Alger from here December 15 last and have not since been heard of. Danz is the smaller man at the left.

Back in New York City there is a "sorrowing" but patient mother who waits and waits and hopes and hopes. The wait is a weary one and, when the facts are told, her hope must seem all but vain. There is a possibility that the word she longs for may reach her but the probability is so remote as to make her hope seem forlorn. Yet she waits and prays for word from her boy.

The schooner Allie I. Alger, only 75 feet in length, with a cargo of scrap iron in her hold and more scrap iron on her deck, and leaving, sailed from Honolulu for Yokohama on Friday, December 15. Aboard her was the boy for whose letter the weary mother anxiously waits. When the schooner left here waterfront men said nothing she threw over the dock load before rounding Barber's Point they would give little for her chances. No word of her arrival at Yokohama has been received.

Last December the Star-Bulletin received a letter from Mrs. A. Danz of New York stating that her son Max, who called himself Frank, had written her from Honolulu, where the letter was typewritten instead of written with pen and ink according to his custom, and he gave his address as general delivery, and asking the aid of this paper to locate her boy. He had, it seemed, been with his uncle in Seattle, with whom he appeared to have had some difficulty. He had left him, gone to San Francisco, and then to Honolulu, where he had mailed the typewritten letter that had alarmed his mother.

A letter was sent addressed to "Frank Danz, General Delivery, Honolulu," the police were quietly consulted and the mother was informed of what had been done. The letter to young Danz was returned, uncalled for, an article was published to the effect that Mrs. A. Danz of New York was anxious about her son Max, or Frank, and the mother was informed of these facts.

Mrs. Danz has again written to the Star-Bulletin. She had received another letter from her son, about the time her letter to the Star-Bulletin was acknowledged, in which he told her all about his trouble with his uncle, that he had intended to stay in Honolulu and get work but had met an Englishman who was going back home, but was going to Japan and China first, wanted him to accompany him that she should not write until she heard from her son, that they would sail on the Allie I. Alger.

The little schooner left here commanded by former Boatswain McFadden of the John Ena, a crew of seven men and John Sell (the Englishman referred to in the letter) and "Frank" Danz. Her captain said he expected to reach Yokohama in six weeks, the cargo of the little vessel consisted of 130 tons of scrap iron. She is listed as belonging to Jay Todd of Seattle, who a short time since undertook to float a tuna canning establishment here. The last New York maritime register to be received here, dated April 1, has nothing later as to the Alger than her departure from here on December 15.

And back in New York the mother and the father will wait and hope, strive to keep up their own and one mother's courage, and wait and hope against hopelessness for word of their boy who sailed away from Honolulu on the Allie I. Alger, for which waterfront men here say that there is almost no chance of reaching any other port than the port of lost ships, and whose crew, they believe, is in the haven where storms never alarm but from which none ever return.

Rithet, who resigned on account of ill health, Captain William Matson, president, and all the other officers with the exception of Rithet were re-elected.

## SUGAR'S PART IN LIVING COSTS IS RATED AS SMALL

Department of Labor's Figures for February Show Refined Price Made Smallest Gain

WASHINGTON, April 4.—According to the figures compiled by the United States department of labor, and appearing in the April number of its Monthly Review in an article covering the increased cost of living in February, 1916, out of seven food products the average cost of which have increased less than 10 per cent sugar showed the smallest advance in price. Favorable Position Illustrated

The department's average price of sugar per pound in February, 1916, is placed at 8 cents, and for February of the present year 8.10 cents, or an increase of only one-tenth of a cent a pound. As compared with other food products selected for illustration the following table given in the report clearly shows how little sugar has contributed to the high cost of living compared with eight other food products, the price of which has shown the least increase of all commodities which are now helping to swell the average family food bill:

	Average price per pound Feb., 1916	Average price per pound Feb., 1917
Strain steak	27.3c	28.7c
Bacon	28.8c	30.7c
Prunes	13.4c	14.1c
Raisins	12.9c	14.1c
Bread	6.5c	7.1c
Milk	9.1c	10.0c
Sugar	8.0c	8.1c
Coffee	29.9c	29.9c
Tea	54.6c	54.6c

Of the above, tea and coffee remained at a stationary price and as sugar only advanced 1.4 per cent in the same comparative period its position is very close to these two products given a zero rating. In this connection it is also interesting to note that the department in this article shows that onions showed a 77 per cent increase, potatoes 30 per cent, and that other articles such as lard, butter, cheese, flour, cornmeal and navy beans had jumped to abnormal levels.

## MANOA DELAY IS FRICTION CAUSE

When the letter of George M. Collins, city and county engineer, as to the Manoa improvement district, was read asking the board to take some action because the company was not living up to the requirements for doing the work laid down by the engineers' department. Supervisor Arnold asked that the matter be referred to the road committee.

"I visited Manoa valley this afternoon," he said, "and had a long talk with Ritchie. I have not got the engineer's side of the question, however, and would like more time to go into the situation. It is entirely a question of give and take and when the matter is thoroughly investigated it will be time enough then to abrogate the contract, if necessary."

Supervisor Hollinger requested that the reply to Ritchie to Collins' letter be read. The letter declared that it was evident that the Hustace-Peck Company was unable to furnish sufficient rock to carry on the work which caused the delay. In regard to the Honolulu Construction and Draying Company, the letter said that the company alone could not send enough rock because of other contracts but if it was allowed to take rock from both concerns the required amount of rock could be got.

Supervisor Larsen then got up and blamed the engineering office for all mistakes. "It is time we came to a show down," he said. "I claim that the entire trouble is due to the manner in which the work is operated and the inefficiency of the engineer's office. Ignorance and inefficiency is going hand-in-hand here. Even our city attorney has butted in. I move that the board be authorized to appoint a committee of engineers to investigate. I assure you that the result will equal the exposures on the pier work."

Hollinger moved that Larsen be left off the committee. Arnold objected, declaring that the road committee as a whole was the proper committee to investigate and his motion carried.

It is also learned that the people of Manoa have engaged Engineer John W. Caldwell as an inspector to look after their interests.

## TEXAS SOLONS WOULD BAR GRAIN FROM BOOZE MAKING

AUSTIN, Texas, April 25.—The senate of the Texas legislature adopted a resolution memorializing Congress to prohibit the use of grain for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

This matter is already before Congress in the shape of an amendment introduced last Friday by Senator Cummings of Iowa to the Espionage bill. Senator Cummings' amendment would prohibit the use of grain, which is so urgently needed now by the United States and the world in general, for the manufacture of alcoholic beverages.

## Wants Road to Homestead



Attorney C. C. Bittling took this photograph of an alleged roadway leading to his Palolo Valley homestead to prove that the legislative bill appropriating \$3000 for road construction to the homestead tracts should be passed. This piece of road is the beginning of the "boulevard" from Tenth avenue up the valley, and Bittling says that only a goat or a grass-hopper can negotiate it. Most of it is rock. He maintains that out of 13 homesteaders who took up land, he is the only one left, and that he has spent \$15,000 on his homestead and now faces the necessity of abandoning because the road is virtually impassable.

## ENROLMENT BILL PLACED IN LAWS

Governor Pinkham yesterday signed Senator Baldwin's military enrolment bill which was introduced in the legislature at the request of the local army authorities. Under the terms of the bill this roll will be taken by tax assessors of each tax division and will cover detailed information of all male inhabitants of the territory.

Other bills signed by the governor yesterday are as follows: House bill 133, as act 122, entitled, "An act to amend section 2068 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1915, relating to peddlers."

House bill 405, as act 123, entitled, "An act to appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000) for repairing and widening the Palii trail leading to and roads with the lease settlement at Kalaupapa, county of Kalawao, Molokai."

Senate bill 111, as act 124, entitled, "An act to amend section 2801 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1915, relating to garnishment."

## GERMAN PRESS PROPOSES NEW TERMS OF PEACE

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless)

LONDON, Eng., April 25.—The German press is beginning to sing a different tune. Instead of asserting that Germany is going to end the war when and how she pleases and that her monstrous war debt will be eased by the receipt of a huge indemnity, the press of Berlin is now declaring that the war must end without any nation having acquired additional territory and without a demand for indemnity.

The Berliner Vorwärts, the famous Socialist organ which has been repeatedly suppressed by the government since the outbreak of the war, takes a forward position in this respect in an article which appeared yesterday, news of which reached this city last night in despatches from Amsterdam.

The Vorwärts urges the German government to declare before all the world the terms upon which it will accept peace. "This peace must be reached," adds the article, "without the sacrifice of territory by any of the belligerent nations, or the payment of any indemnity."

## BRITISH CHANCELLOR'S SON WOUNDED AND MISSING

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless)

LONDON, Eng., April 25.—Lieut. C. J. Law, second son of Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, is reported as wounded and missing in Palestine where he has been taking part in Gen. Maude's great drive against the Turks.

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## Navy League Is Told of Garden Pests, Remedies

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

COLLEGE OF HAWAII, April 25.—Yesterday morning at the College of Hawaii, Dr. James F. Illingworth, entomologist of the college, addressed the members of the Navy League on the subject of garden pests. The subject was treated from the standpoint of the insects, which are most troublesome to the gardener in the cultivation of the commonest table vegetables. This was followed by a discussion of the most effective insecticides. The members of the league were then given reference to a number of publications which would provide them with more detailed information concerning the subject matter of the lecture. The list of pamphlets will prove valuable to all who care to take up gardening:

Army Worm—U. S. Farmers' Bulletin, 731.  
Potato Tuber Moth—U. S. Farmers' Bulletin, 557.  
Wire Worms—U. S. Farmers' Bulletin, 725.  
Cabbage Butterfly—U. S. Farmers' Bulletin, 766.  
Grasshoppers—U. S. Farmers' Bulletin, 747.

Hawaiian Beet Web Worm—U. S. Bureau Entomology Bulletin, 109, Part 1.

Sweet Potato Insects—Haw. Agriculture Exp. Sta. Bulletin, 22.

Sweet Corn Insects—Haw. Agriculture Exp. Sta. Bulletin, 27.

Dr. Illingworth's lecture was the fourth of the series of College of Hawaii lectures to the Navy League. The remaining six lectures will be given by Professor MacCaughy, the botanist, and Mr. Higgins of the Experiment Station. Mr. MacCaughy's series of three lectures will begin this coming Saturday.

## ENGLAND CUTTING DOWN ON LIQUOR PRAISES HAWAII AND STEAMSHIPS

Highly pleased with a visit to Honolulu and Hawaii and expressing satisfaction at the traveling facilities he found in coming and going, J. C. Evans gave the following interview to the Buffalo, N. Y., Courier on his return home from the islands:

James Carey Evans, president of the Great Lakes Transit Corporation, returned yesterday with his wife and daughter from their trip to Honolulu. They left Buffalo February 6 and sailed from San Francisco February 27 on the steamer Sierra, and returning left Honolulu on the steamer Great Northern March 16, arriving at San Francisco on March 20.

Looking much healthier, with eyes clear, and complexion browned to a most healthy looking degree, Mr. Evans radiated sunshine as he sat at his desk yesterday afternoon.

"Never had a more delightful outing," said he. "We carried out our schedule without the semblance of a hitch and enjoyed every moment of the trip. We were most favorably impressed with Honolulu and its people. It was our first visit there and I want to say that Americans have every reason to feel proud of the Hawaiian Islands as being among Uncle Sam's possessions. The climate is perfect, the cordiality of the residents or islands captivating, and things in general there are conducive to enjoyment. The swimming there is a most enjoyable feature."

While in Honolulu President Evans was entertained by Gen. Strong, who has charge of the military forces of that district, and he found that officer very interesting. He was shown the little German warship Geler, which was interned there two years ago, and whose crew set fire to her quite recently. The sailors of the Geler after she had been fired were taken to Schofield Barracks, and are still there. Mr. Evans saw them playing baseball when he visited the barracks. He also met Governor Pinkham to whom he had a letter, and found him a fine gentleman.

Mr. Evans spoke highly of the service on the steamers Sierra and Great Northern. The former encountered an 80-mile gale on the trip out but being a very seaworthy steamer she was not troubled to any extent.

"She rolled some, of course," said Mr. Evans, "and one big sea that looked to be as high as the Marine bank building swept over her and almost carried an automobile overboard."

Mr. Evans on reaching his office yesterday found a letter notifying him of his election as director in the Great Lakes Towing Company, and Buffalo Drydock Company.

## TURKS IN DESPERATE EFFORT TO SAVE HOLY CITY

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless)

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 25.—On the eastern battle fronts there has been but little activity. The Turks have received large reinforcements in Palestine and are making a desperate stand in an effort to save Jerusalem from the advancing British troops.

Both Rome and Vienna report that there have been violent artillery bombardments in the Gorizia plateau country, which have extended as far as the head of the Adriatic Sea. This is taken to mean that the Austrians are possibly planning to resume the offensive in the Sugana valley.

## NATION ORGANIZES TO INCREASE FOOD IN WORLD CRISIS

National and State Action is Planned; California Forms State Council of Defense to Mobilize Resources

By C. S. ALBERT

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—An emergency appropriation of \$25,000,000 to be made available immediately for the use of the secretary of agriculture to meet the extraordinary needs of agriculture; an urgent call to all farmers to increase production and to housewives to avoid all food waste; the mobilization of over 2,000,000 unemployed boys between the ages of 15 and 18 years for service on the farms and in the production of food supplies and munitions; the enlistment of men unfit for military service as an officially recognized force for the production of necessities; a complete survey of the food supply; national systematic publicity of food prices; effective control of agencies for the manufacture and handling of foods, and price fixing, if necessary—these are among the leading recommendations of 62 officials representing state agricultural colleges and commissions of 32 states, from New York to the Rocky mountains, who met at the request of the secretary of agriculture to confer with representatives of the United States department of agriculture in St. Louis, April 10 and 11.

The conference, after dealing with the general problems of financing agriculture and organizing the federal and state agencies for effective cooperation, made a special appeal to the patriotism of farmers and recommended a definite program particularly looking to the increase of cereal and leguminous food and meat and animal products. Home owners and their children were urged to produce as much food as possible in back yards and vacant lots and to can or preserve all surplus.

The conference, after thorough discussion, decided to deal with the whole subject of the food supply under four major divisions as follows:

1. Production and labor.
2. Distribution and prices.
3. Economy and utilization.
4. Effective organization.

A committee of 15, composed of state commissioners of agriculture, representatives of state colleges, and representatives of the United States department of agriculture, was appointed. This committee appointed subcommittees from its membership to deal with each of the four problems. The committee then reported its findings to the general conference, which decided to express its views and to urge the course of action.

## CALIFORNIA ORGANIZES FOR FOOD PRODUCTION

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

OAKLAND, Cal., 18.—California's war emergency measures, comprising the organization of the state council of defense, the food problem, the special welfare of the soldier in camp, the care of the soldier's family at home, have been incorporated in the program of the ninth annual meeting of the California State Conference of Social Agencies, which convened here today. The sessions will last through Friday.

Gov. William D. Stephens, creator of the state council of defense; Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California and chairman of the committee on resources and food supply; Mrs. Herbert C. Hoover, who was associated with her husband in Belgian relief work; Dr. Thomas Forsythe Hunt, dean of the college of agriculture at the state university and in charge of the field work in the state-wide food survey now being conducted, will be among the speakers.

How much food is there in California today? What are the crop conditions? What is the condition of the cattle ranges? What can the housewife do to economize in the emergency confronting the state? These are some of the questions that Dean Hunt will answer in his address, armed with information gathered by his own field experts who are now making a food survey of every county in the state.

In meeting the soldier's war problems of the war emergency which has called men from their homes and families, the members of the California state conference of social agencies have offered their united services to Gov. Stephens.

The cooperation of the Young Women's Christian Association, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Social Hygiene Society, the various chapters of the American Red Cross in California, have been sought.

## KHAN OF KHIVA TO GRANT POPULAR GOVERNMENT

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless)

LONDON, Eng., April 25.—The demand for popular government that is spreading like wildfire throughout the potentate-ruled nations of the world has reached even to the half-savage kingdoms of Central Asia, according to a Reuters' despatch from that news agency's Petrograd correspondent. The despatch says that Seyid Asfendar, the khan of Khiva, yielding to popular demand, will grant a constitution to his subjects. The khanate of Khiva is a little country of approximately 22,000 square miles, which is adjacent to and tributary to Russian Turkestan.